RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: Yes, the epidemic has been brought under control long ago.

Cholera epidemic.

21. *MR. G. VELU PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the names of the taluks and towns recently affected by cholera;

(*b*) what the Public Health Department is doing to prevent the spread of the disease;

(*c*) the total number of deaths in the State due to cholera in 1118; and

(*d*) in which town or taluk the death rate has been highest?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: (*a*) A statement containing the information is placed on the table.

(*b*) (1) Intensive prevention work such as mass inoculation, disinfection, chlorination of water supplies, etc., in the infected areas;

(2) Carrying on of propaganda for educating the general public regarding the precautionary measures to be adopted for preventing the epidemic;

(3) Introduction of special sanitary arrangements during festivals;

(4) The opening of cholera observation stations in the frontier stations; and

(5) Formation of a Central Public Health District with its headquarters at Quilon for effective supervision of the work in Central Travancore.

(*c*) 2338.

(*d*) Among the taluks, the highest death rate was in Shencotta, *viz.*, 1·97 per 1000 population. Among the towns the highest was in Colachel, *viz.*, 9·49 per 1000 population.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI: May I know whether inoculation is made compulsory in the affected areas?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: Yes, Sir.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: മൂവാറ്റുപുഴ താലൂക്കിൽ കോളറാ മൂലം മരിച്ച കേസുകൾ ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: ഇപ്പോൾ ചില കേസുകൾ ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ട്.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: അങ്ങിനെ എത്ര കേസുകൾ ഉണ്ടെന്നു പറയാമോ?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: നാലഞ്ചു കേസുകളിൽ കൂടുതൽ കാണുകയില്ല.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: ഈ ലിസ്റ്റിൽ ആ വിവരം കാണിച്ചിട്ടില്ലല്ലോ?

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* *Vide* Appendix VI Page 47.

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RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: ചോദ്യം ചോദിച്ച കാലത്ത് അവിടെ കേസുകൾ ഒന്നും ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നില്ല.

Outbreak of cholera.

22. *MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received any representation about the outbreak of cholera in certain taluks; and

(*b*) the measures adopted to prevent and check the disease?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The member is referred to the answer to part (*b*) of the interpellation No. 21.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether any orders have been issued making inoculation compulsory?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: Yes, Sir. All the three District Magistrates have been directed by the Government to make inoculation compulsory in their respective divisions.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM: കോതമംഗലത്തുണ്ടായി എന്നു പറയുന്നതായ കേസുകൾ സ്ഥലത്തെ ആളുകൾക്കാണോ അതോ അന്യസ്ഥലത്തുള്ളവർക്കാണോ?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: കോതമംഗലത്തു ബിസിനസ്മെൻ ധാരാളമുണ്ട്. അതുകൊണ്ട് അനേകം കേസുകളും അന്യസ്ഥലത്തുള്ളവർക്കാണ്. അന്യസ്ഥലത്തുനിന്നും സുഖക്കേടായി അവിടെ വന്നുചേരുന്ന കേസുകളാണ് അധികമുള്ളത്.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: മൂവാറ്റുപുഴ താലൂക്കിൽ എവിടെ ഇനാക്കുലേഷൻ നടത്തിയെന്നു പറയാമോ?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: പറയാം.

MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI (*Meenachil cum Thodupuzha*): May I know whether Government have enquired as to whether the Division Peishkars have put into effect the order compelling inoculation?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: Wherever it has been found necessary, they are making inoculation compulsory.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI (*Thovala cum Agasteeswaram*): May I know the cause for the sudden outbreak of cholera in these taluks?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: The Department has submitted a detailed report to the Government and the public also are aware that the surrounding areas of Travancore are infected with the epidemic of cholera. Cochin, Tinnevelly, Madura, Coimbatore and many other places are having a very bad attack of cholera. So, naturally communications through the frontier routes have imported the disease into this State also.

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Appendix V.

Vide Answer to Question No. 20.

Number of deaths caused by cholera in the months of Medam, Edavam and Mithunam 1118 in Chirayinkil, Quilon and Karunagapalli Taluks.

Taluks.	*Months.*		
	Medam.	*Edavam.*	*Mithunam till 21st.*
(a) Chirayinkil ...	91	11	18
(b) Quilon ...	41	76	88
(c) Karunagapalli ...	...	116	182

Appendix VI.

Vide Answer to Question No. 21.

CHOLERA EPIDEMIC.

The Taluks which have been affected more recently are :

1. Chirayinkil
2. Kottarakara
3. Pathanapuram
4. Quilon
5. Karunagapalli
6. Kartikapalli
7. Mavelikara
8. Ambalapuzha
9. Thiruvalla
10. Changanacherry
11. Kottayam
12. Shertala
13. Vaikom
14. Meenachil
15. Kunnathunad, and
16. Parur.

The towns which have been affected recently are :—

1. Kuzhithura
2. Trivandrum
3. Quilon
4. Kayamkulam
5. Alleppey
6. Changanacherry
7. Kottayam
8. Vaikom

Suspected cases have been reported from Mavelikara and Thiruvalla Municipalities.

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